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(*b*) No information regarding the cost of a scheme for extension of water-supply to the extended areas of the Nagercoil Municipality is available here. A report from the Chief Engineer, P.W.D. (General) is awaited.

* *Q.* 286—Vide page 554 infra.

Colachel Water Works Scheme.

* 287 *Q.*—Sri K. SATTANATHA KARAYALAR (on behalf of Sri T. T. Daniel) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) the total cost of Colachel Water Works Scheme; and

(*b*) whether the Government propose to implement this scheme during the current year?

The Hon. Sri M. A. MANICKAVELU : (*a*) Approximately Rs. 6·25 lakhs if a ten gallons scheme is taken up and Rs. 8·75 lakhs if a 15 gallons scheme is taken up.

(*b*) The question of drawing up a list of water-supply and drainage schemes to be taken up in the Kanyakumari district during the remaining period of the Second Five-Year Plan is under consideration.

* *Q.*—288—Vide pages 554–555 infra.

Travelling allowance to Panruti Village Officers.

* 289 *Q.*—Sri M. JAGANNATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that the Revenue Divisional Officer, Chidambaram, has withheld the payment of the fixed travelling allowance sanctioned for the village officers of the Panruti subtaluk in South Arcot district; and

(*b*) if so, the reasons therefor?

The Hon. Sri M. A. MANICKAVELU : (*a*) & (*b*) Out of 81 Revenue groups of villages in the Panruti sub-taluk, South Arcot district the village officers of 39 groups appeared for jamabandi on the due dates and received travelling allowance. The village officers of the remaining 42 groups did not appear for the jamabandi on the due date as they had struck work. Travelling allowance due to them could not, therefore, be paid to them. The Collector of South Arcot has since issued instructions to the Revenue Divisional Officer to pay the travelling allowance due to the village officers concerned immediately.